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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire Chief Clerk & Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Joint Application for Approval of the Sale of Assets and Transfer of Facilities, Territory and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from Hyde Park Water Works, Incorporated to CSWR South Carolina Utility Operating Company,

LLC and Request for a Waiver of Formal Hearings

Docket No.: 2022-167-W

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") is in the process of reviewing the filings made by Hyde Park Water Works, Incorporated ("Hyde Park"), and CSWR South Carolina Utility Operating Company, LLC ("Central States") (collectively the "Joint Applicants") in the above-referenced docket with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission"), and has not yet completed its review. The Joint Applicants seek approval of a sale of assets, including water and sewer facilities, territories, and certificates of public convenience and necessity, from Hyde Park to Central States. More specifically, Central States will "acquire the water and sewer system, service territories, personal and business property, real property, easements, governmental authorizations ... and certain other property necessary for the operation of the Hyde Park water systems." Moreover, Joint Applicants seek expedited review of the Application and waiver of a formal hearing if, after notice, no substantial opposition arises.

ORS respectfully requests that the Commission delay consideration on the above-referenced matter and the Joint Applicants' request to provide ORS additional time to adequately review the Application. Granting this request would not result in any undue prejudice or unreasonable burden to the Joint Applicants. Should this request be granted, ORS will notify the Commission upon completing its review of the Application.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Application at 3.

Sincerely,

/s Nicole M. Hair

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